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ORIGINAL ARTICLES.

PULSATILLA.*

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When I think of pulsatilla, I think of an April day—sunshine and shower, wind and calm, gusty weather, fickle and uncertain. The sun now shining from an almost cloudless sky, whose soft, deep blue looks warm and tender; now overcast by a dark and swiftly flying cloud, out of which large, feathery snow-flakes fall upon greening grass and bursting buds.

The plant is known as the wind-flower, and is very appropriately so called by reason of its inconstancy, fickleness—bobbing and bowing, catering to every influence, swinging and swaying, yielding to every passing breeze. This unstableness and changeableness of the flower is typical of the character of the person to whom it is best adapted. When I think of pulsatilla, my mental eye sees the picture of a girl nearing sixteen; just budding into womanhood; fair-haired, blue-eyed, yet bright-eyed; eyes that can laugh and do laugh, yet are fitter for a mist of tears, and from whose blue depths the mists gather as suddenly and fall as precipitately as April showers.

Now in this metaphorical, allegorical, symbolical picture which my imagination has painted for you I have used more than a hundred words, which some matter-of-fact Thomas Gradgrind

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of a Materia Medica lecturer would say is all wind. Very well; it is the wind-flower we are talking about. Besides, you may let pass as soon as you please metaphor, simile, figure of speech and picture, provided you retain the general characteristics of the remedy, the class of people to whom they apply and the kind of diseases which they will cure. For my part, I admire pictures, and the study and matching of pictures is the life-long business and duty of a homeopathic prescriber.

Other remedies besides pulsatilla remind me of types of people. For example, nux vomica paints me the picture of a man—a banker or business man, who is growing prematurely old, not so much from work as worry; a man with a square face, a firm under jaw and a lean, angular body. His face, if not ruddy (for our typical nux man is of bilious temperament), should at least be free of lines and seams and the crow's-feet of worry. His complexion could at least be clear, instead of muddy, if he would lock his business up behind him when he leaves his counting-house. But he takes it home with him, takes it to the parlor, and it makes him irascible and irritable; takes it to the dinner-table, where he bolts his food, forgetful and regardless of its flavor; hunkers down over the viands with knitted brow and a "shut your mouth and eat your vittles" expression; tells no jokes, invites no stories, takes no condiment with his food except salt and pepper, than which table chit-chat is better than too much of either, especially pepper; hurries through and off to bed, where kind Nature asserts herself and grants him a respite from the carking cares which at three o'clock in the morning wake him to another day of toil and care. The science of medicine will select nux vomica for this type, and the art of prescribing will advise a double lock and bolt on business affairs after business hours; an *open* mouth and "eat your vittles," a joke, a story, a laugh between courses, a cigar and a dreamy half-hour, some light literature or a nap after each meal, this and such advice as this (suited to the individual case) is as much the physician's province and business as the selection of the appropriate remedy.

To return to pulsatilla and to our blue-eyed maiden. We find them congenial companions. As the flowering plant is so easily influenced by every passing breeze, so is the fair-haired damsel at the blushing, budding period the subject of whim and

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caprice, inconstant and unreliable, changeful of mood and uncertain of temper, laughing and crying, in smiles and tears—gay and happy one minute, sad and sorrowful the next; thoughtless and careless now, now brooding over some imaginary trouble—imaginary troubles answering as well as real ones, for our pulsatilla patient is a sensitive plant. When our girl gets sick, she is very sick. Pain is very painful. Delayed menstruation means despondency and tearfulness; dysmenorrhea means weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth. Suffering means lamentation and loud outcries, for, unlike the ignatia brunette who weeps and weeps alone, our blue-eyed divinity wants the world to weep with her. She wants sympathy and condolence, and is better when she gets it, for she is a clinging vine and must have support. Needing support, she gets married, marries young, marries the first man who caters to her impulsiveness and humors her whims. Now, whether she marries a rich man or a poor one, a good husband or a bad one, let her live high and eat rich food that she cannot digest or live humbly and dine on homely fare, she is still a pulsatilla patient, and if her troubles do not manifest themselves in the gastric sphere, they will find other centers for expression and other forms of complaint. Let her rear a family at the rate of a child every couple of years and she breaks down, becomes nervously exhausted. Domestic duties and family cares are something more than inaginary troubles, and even these are magnified, and so we have a patient—a woman less than thirty years old, with a family of five or six children, too many for any woman at that age. These and the care of them and other cares, real and imaginary, have made her prematurely old. She is weak, nervous, tremulous, easily chilled, or, rather, constantly chilly, yet cannot endure a warm room.

Nothing is more characteristic of a pulsatilla patient than repugnance to a warm, close room and a desire for the open, cool air. Carbo veg. wants fresh air and an abundance of it, but wants it especially inside—inthe lungs. Pulsatilla wants it inside and out, all around and all over; wants it not only fresh, but cool. How are you to remember this? By remembering the why of it. Comprehensive and voluminous as some of our Materia Medicas are, they would be somewhat shorter if they were a little longer; that is, they would make the work of the student, as well

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as that of the practitioner, easier by aiding his memory, if they explained the why and wherefore of some of the symptoms. Let us analyze this symptom of pulsatilla. Chilly, yet wants to be out in the open, cool air (a paradox). Why is she chilly? Because of venous and capillary congestion. Being chilly, why does she want cool air? The veins and capillaries are full, engorged, distended, dilated. The blood in its return journey to the heart moves too slowly; the walls of the vessels are too wide apart; the valves do not lift all the blood because the caliber of the vessel is too large. Cold contracts these vessels, narrows their caliber, enables the valves to sweep clear across from wall to wall; hurries the column of blood on to the heart, from whence next moment in the lungs it has parted from its stagnant debris, thrown off its effete matter and exchanged its livid hue for a scarlet glow—thus warming the body by purifying the blood and obviating the necessity of hurrying its circulation by contraction of the vessels' caliber.

Now then, you have not only a symptom which runs all through pulsatilla and which symptom you have had often and often, over and over, but you have also a reason which if you have not had will be of service not only in remembering a prominent and thorough-going symptom, but will also enable you to reason out some other things.

For example, why is a pulsatilla patient liable to varicose veins and hemorrhoids? Your answer is found in your knowledge of the turgid and dilated condition of the veins and capillaries. Why is she sad, tearful, resigned and willing to submit rather than contend? (The books all tell you that she is of a submissive disposition.) Because not only are the external vessels and the hemorrhoidal veins inflated, but the deeper as well. The portal system is sluggish and the liver torpid, and you know we do not expect vivacious, witty, humorous, fun-loving and fun-making people with torpid livers. Back of the liver, spleen, kidneys, pancreas, heart, stomach, inside and outside—over all and above all, the center of all is the brain, and we cannot expect activity there with sluggishness everywhere else, and so cerebral circulation is slow and sluggish; and if this brain must work, work hard and work long (for our whilom blue-eyed beauty may be a widow now, with orphans to support, whose care means the exercise of

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brain as well as brawn), then we have developing other mental symptoms besides somberness and sadness. We have dejection, despair, hopelessness, melancholia, mania and a mad-house. Many a woman goes insane whom pulsatilla would save. Many are the mothers now in an asylum whom pulsatilla could have saved to family and friends.

Remember, however, that just as you would remove a nail or a splinter from a palm or a sole before you would administer sedum or hypericum to prevent tetanus, so you would, as far as possible, remove an exciting cause from a pulsatilla case (or any other case) and then apply your remedy, because in the foreknowledge of God and from all eternity (and I am not a Predestinarian) this remedy was destined or predestined to and for that individual and those like her. The little black-eyed, black-haired ignatia brunette will not become a pulsatilla subject through environment, physical influences or mental surroundings. So then if an exciting cause—an obstacle or obstruction—be in the way of the indicated remedy, find it if possible, and if possible remove it. Our fair-haired, blonde-complexioned, blue-eyed, impulsive, April-showering, sunshiny girl may be never so much a pulsatilla patient; the roses may have faded from her cheeks and the rubies from her lips; she may need medicine, and that medicine may undeniably be pulsatilla. Be not astonished if pulsatilla fails to restore the roses and the rubies, if she is suffering from disappointment in love—if, for example, the hero of her heart's worship be forbidden her home and the little tender tendrils of her affection be reaching and yearning for the banished lover. Restore him, and then, if there be damage left, pulsatilla will repair it. So also in later life she may have a cruel or an indifferent husband, whom it would be a God's blessing to remove perhaps, but whose treatment of her might by judicious management be modified; or a wayward son, who might by wise counsel and good influences be reclaimed; or the struggle with poverty might be eased up a bit by calling the attention of some association or confederation of good women to her condition; but the exciting and ever-present cause, whatever it may be, must be removed if possible, or as much of it as possible, for while the thorn remains in the flesh the remedy must necessarily be handicapped.

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Now, after using more than a thousand words and talking all the time about a woman and pulsatilla, you might conclude that the remedy was never indicated for a man. But it is. Not so frequently for men as women, to be sure, for it belongs to the mild, gentle, yielding type of humanity, and that type finds its largest representation among women. So also I have talked a great deal and mentioned but few symptoms, whereas there are a thousand which might be mentioned. These, however, you can find in long lists. If you remember the few that I do mention, they will be worth more to you than all the others that you don't remember.

At the outset we spoke of fickleness of the flower and the vacillating mental temperament coincidentally corresponding with it. The mental sphere is not the only one in which the shifting, uncertain tendency occurs. The rheumatism of pulsatilla, for example, is of the migratory variety; travels from place to place, or, rather, jumps from part to part—disappears in one locality to re-appear in a distant one; moves quickly from joint to joint, from one organ to another. Don't accuse a little child of crying for meanness when it complains of first an eye or an ear, then a hand or a foot. Pulsatilla pains may skip around after that fashion, and so may metastasis occur, as from the parotid glands to the testicles; inwhich case, other symptoms corresponding, but not otherwise, pulsatilla will be the remedy. I recall with chagrin such a case occurring in the first year of my practice of Homeopathy, and to which, being unable to find the *similimum*, I gave morphine until a better doctor prescribed pulsatilla—and cured the case.

Another characteristic of the rheumatic pains of pulsatilla, and which corresponds with the modality elsewhere mentioned, is relief from cold. Ordinarily we feel that hot applications should mitigate pain, but not so with those of this remedy. Hot applications aggravate, cold relieve. The tooth-ache of coffea is relieved by holding ice-water in the mouth. Pulsatilla and apis are alike in this aversion to heat. Heat in any form is repugnant to pulsatilla, whether it be induced by wrapping up, the sun's rays, over-exertion, heat of fire or stove, especially a hot and close room, or an emotional cause productive of a hot flush. During a hot flush a good pulsatilla subject will not only want to throw

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aside her wraps, but, being of an affectionate (therefore a sympathetic) nature, will also want to strip the bystanders. This same affectionate nature which must cling to something, be supported by something, makes of such cases religious zealots, religious fanatics, religious maniacs. The more religious they are the more enthusiastic they become, the more enthusiastic they become the hotter they get, the hotter they get the worse they get to be, until they become insane upon religious subjects. The old-time Methodist revivals, so emotional in character, were good developers, good stirrers-up of pulsatilla symptoms. The songs and shoutings and prayers, and especially the fervent exhortations, with the lurid lights which often played about and shot athwart them, aroused correspondingly fervid emotions, and these, ultimating in physical and mental excitement and activity, developed many a latent symptom of pulsatilla. This is said in no spirit of disparagement. Religion would better be too fervid than too cold, better a little over-heat now than a great deal too much afterwhile, better some lurid lights playing about an impassioned exhortation here—if they but prevent closer contact with their prototype hereafter. All the same, the pulsatilla temperament must keep cool if it would be comfortable. Another modality is the *time* of aggravation. For the emotional nature and the symptoms that cluster about it—sadness, despondency, grief, tears, the mental symptoms, or psychical symptoms—the aggravation comes in the evening. Remember this by associating it with the twilight or the moonlight and the imaginative, impulsive and emotional temperament to which this season of the day corresponds. For the purely physical ailments—the bloating, fullness, dizziness, nausea, headache and such symptoms as arise from indigestion or slow digestion—the morning is the time of exacerbation.

You will observe that I have dealt with generals and have avoided particulars. One might write a volume upon an organ: the pulsatilla stomach, which you know will not tolerate fats or heat, but enjoys cold things (why then disturbed by ice-cream?); the pulsatilla uterus and its appendages; the tardiness and scantiness of menstruation; the catarrhs of nose, eyes, ears, throat, uterus, urethra, and every mucus-lined cavity, canal or orifice of the body; their color and consistency, blandness or acrid-

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ity. But behold, are not all these written in the prophecies of the sages, and so to these, to Herring, to Hahnemann, to Dunham, and others, I commend you.

SUGGESTIONS.

BY JOHN D. EDGAR, EL PASO, TEXAS.

N. B.—A *drug* can be so termed when used in the provings. But when prepared, in its purity, and per the law of dynamization, for the use of the law of Homœopathy *for cures*, it then becomes a *remedy*, and for curative purposes. It is then not a "drug" for drug-forcing purposes, palliation, etc. It is then in *potency*, and is to be called a *potency*, and not "a dilution" or "attenuation." The *object of the preparation was potency*, power, not dilution. It was prepared for its *power* to cure, its *potency*.

A drug, or element, or salt, is prepared for the use of the natural law of cure, Homœopathy, and is then a *remedy*. It is not "a homœopathic remedy" until it is selected according to the law of Homœopathy, and the selection has been correct. "The best homœopathic remedies were administered, and yet no relief." *That is a lie.* There was an attempt to select the homœopathic remedy, but the ones selected were *not homeopathic*, or there would have been a *cure*. It should read, "*The attempt to select the homoeopathic remedy failed.*"

You are not *taken* with an abnormal condition. If "taken," where were you taken to? You are not *attacked* either, for whenever "attacked" you voluntarily or involutarily defend yourself, and might succeed. But when *seized*, that indicates that you are helpless, or have been seized unawares, unexpectedly, so that you cannot defend yourself, and have to call for aid, someone to help you, as the law of cure.

The word "physician" means *an investigator of natural laws.* How many are entitled to carry that honor since Hahnemann, Hering, and a few others? No one educated to drug-force, palliate, or suppress abnormal vital force, in place of *curing*, can carry that title morally, honorably, correctly.

No allopath can be a physician. If he became a real physician, he would quit Allopathy, and all suppressive, palliative and fad theory practice. A man-made college gives the degree of M. D.—

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learned in medicine. You studied, earned and paid for *that degree.* If you have *assumed* the title of physician, are you morally, ethically and honestly entitled to carry it?

The adjective *great* was intended to describe something large, grand, immense in *nature.* It is very improperly used attached to pain, suffering, swelling, flatulence, *et al.* These abnormal conditions are not *great,* but the adjectives *intense, much, more, worse,* etc., are the ones to be used to describe the abnormal conditions correctly.

The word *pupil* means infant, and relates to the *space* that the *iris curtain* controls. The iris contracts and dilates, *not the space.* It is the iris that is brown, blue, black or gray, in place of "brown eyes," "blue eyes," "gray eyes," *et al.* Wouldn't you exhibit a peculiar appearance with brown eyes?

The word *eclectic* means "to select the best," and only applies to fads, theories, superstitions, habits, etc. It cannot apply to a natural law—an absolute law of cure, Homœopathy, and its adjunct law of dynamization. It cannot apply to medicine, when there is an absolute law of cure, no more than to that of gravitation, cohesion, *et al.* Think of an eclectic system of gravitation, selecting the best out of gravitation, according to the more or less amount of superstition in the selector.

Homœopathy spelled with the diphthong, as Hahnemann, a classical scholar, spelled it, means *the practice of similars,* not "small doses," "little pills," etc. S. Hahnemann was a classical graduate of an university, far in advance in classical *knowledge* to Noah Webster, or any editor or teacher of this twentieth century, so far discovered, even Brander Matthews. Coincident with Noah Webster's ignorant prejudice (as exhibited in his first definitions of Homœopathy, and afterwards when omiting the diphthong) came the practice and teachings of M.D.s who did not comprehend all of the law of cure, the natural law called Homœopathy, their palliative, their mixing, their suppressive practice as exhibited by Guernsy Waring's exposé of Cook County Hospital, came the use of the mongrel word "home-pathy." Please cut out all of the diphthong, also the next "o," and spell it hompathy, to differentiate such improperly educated pernoni, those "hom-paths," from the clear-brained, correctly educated Hahnemannian *homoeopaths.*

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   (b) Gun cotton dissolved to required consistency.
9. Place in thick celloidin; one to five days.
10. Place on tile, 1-inch circles.
11. Dry till firm in air.
12. Place in jar of 70 per cent alcohol; leave till hard.

PREPARATION OF SECTION.

Cutting.

1. Place tile with section in microtome.
2. Moisten section and blade with 50 per cent alcohol.
3. Cut sections 10, 15 and 20 microns thick.
4. Remove sections from blade into distilled water.

Staining and Mounting.

1. Fill a staining-dish half full of distilled water.
2. Add about five drops of hematoxylin.
3. Transfer sections from distilled water to this stain.
4. Cover and let stand some hours; over night is well.
5. Transfer sections to tap water.
6. Place for a moment in eosin.
7. Wash in water.
8. Take section on needle, touch to filter paper, place in alcohol.
9. Again touch to filter paper and place in carbol-cedar oil; equal parts of cedar oil and carbolic acid.

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10. When clear, take upon spatula and transfer to slide.
11. Blot off excess of oil.
12. Add a drop of Canada balsam.
13. Place cover glass.

EXPLANATION.

1. Pieces of tissue should be cut about three-fourths of an inch across and one-eighth of an inch thick.

2. Alcohol, in this process, is used to dehydrate.

3. Distilled water must be used before hematoxylin and to dilute hematoxlin, as hematoxylin and tap water are chemically incompatible.

4. After staining, tap water acts as a mordant to hematoxylin.

5. Some hours in dilute hematoxylin is much better than a short time in strong hematoxylin.

6. Carbol-cedar oil is the best clearing agent. All the essential oils harden and curl sections. The addition of carbolic acid will straighten a curled section, and take the water out of 95 per cent alcohol.

7. These steps must be followed in the order here given.

SILVER NITRATE PREPARATION.

1. Take omentum, peritoneum or pericardium.
2. Stretch over a board and fasten with tacks.
3. Treat with solution of nitrate of silver.
4. Wash with distilled water.
5. Expose to air and sunlight till brown and dry.
6. Cut out thinnest portions and place in carbol-cedar oil.
7. Mount in balsam.

But we need a certain degree of optimism. The optimist brings sunshine to the sick-room. The patient feels the influence of the spirit of hope which fills our hearts, and it helps him.

What would have become of the practice of medicine and surgery had it not been for the influence of those whom we call optimists—those who believe in the future—those who work and strive to attain more glorious things than have ever before been done. We welcome that spirit of optimism, moderated and guided by common sense and experience.

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SELECTIONS.

AN INDETERMINATE TUMOR OF THE TESTIS OF TRAUMATIC ORIGIN.

BY G. FRANK LYDSTON, M.D., CHICAGO, ILL.

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W. B——, 18 years of age, sustained six months before consulting me a fall, in which he injured the right testicle. There was no history of venereal disease. Immediately after the injury enormous swelling of the organ occurred, with severe pain and some rise of temperature. The case progressed apparently favorably, save that considerable swelling remained, and his physician, Dr. John Bartlett, referred the patient to me for treatment. I found on examination a uniform swelling of the right testicle, with slight effusion of the tunica vaginalis. The tumor was the size of a large orange, slightly tender to pressure, and extremely hard. The cord was apparently free from disease. There was no discoloration of the scrotal tissues covering the tumor. There was no enlargement of the inguinal glands. The patient's general health was visibly impaired. He had lost considerable flesh and was distinctly anemic. His appetite and digestion were disturbed. He complained of some pain and dragging-on movement, and occasional neuralgic pains darting along the cord.

It was evident that I had to deal, not with a chronic inflammatory condition of the testicle, but with a neoplasm of some kind, which was probably malignant. Immediate operation was proposed, with the understanding that the testis would be carefully explored before removal, the intention being to save it should the process found seem to warrant the attempt. The organ was exposed by a free incision and explored thoroughly in the hope that hematocele would be discovered. The tumor proving solid, it was incised, and the character of the tissues was such that complete ablation was decided upon.

The macroscopic appearance of the tumor was peculiar, and suggested a mixture of chondromatous and adenomatous tissue. It was almost as hard in texture as a scirrhus. Healing was

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prompt after the operation, and the patient rapidly recovered his health. At present writing, more than a year after the operation, he is still perfectly well. There has been no recurrence of the disease.

The microscopic characters of this tumor are most interesting, and show that it is one of those testicular growths that are so difficult of classification because of the great variety of tissue contained. There are present cystic glandular tissue, squamous epithelium and cartilage, besides a certain amount of normal glandular and connective tissue. Certain areas are simply adenomatous; others are simple cystic adenoma; while still others show papillary cyst adenoma. Some areas are composed of squamous epithelial cells arranged in large islands, the various layers of which present no evidences of a difference in age. This squamous epithelium and also the glandular epithelium shows a tendency to mucoid transformation. The islands of cartilage are of varying size. The cartilage is moderately typic. In most of the areas the ordinary connective tissue is pretty well matured. Here and there it is mucoid, with stellate cells. In other localities it is young and almost cellular enough in type to warrant its classification as sarcoma. The nearest that one can come to a diagnosis of this decidedly mixed type of tumor is cystic adenoma of probably malignant character.—*International Journal of Surgery.*

AN HOUR WITH EXCHANGES.

Dr. Palmer, in the Boston *Medical Journal* (December 13, 1906), has presented a valuable résumé of facts in regard to apparent and real death. Some of them we present here: 1. Nobody can tell absolutely the exact time of death. Therefore, persons may be buried alive if no competent physician attends the case or the embalmer finishes the work. 2. Every physician should carefully examine such cases and satisfy himself as to the real condition. 3. Nobody should be buried without a medical examination, especially cases of sudden death. 4. the public should be educated, so that there be a greater willingness to allow autopsies.

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In St. Louis a physician examined a boy who was injured, having a double purpose in view: firstly, to give him medical aid as a physician; and secondly, to be able to testify in behalf of the patient's employer, should a damage suit arise. When he was called to the witness-stand, the court refused to admit his testimony.

Dr. Eastman, of Indianapolis, injected fifteen feet of No. 28 silver wire through a fine trocar into an aortic aneurism. At the same time 300 c.c. of a 2 per cent gelatine solution was injected into the subcutaneous tissues of the thighs. There was an increase of pain, so that one-third of the wire was removed. After much suffering, the patient died four months later.

Dr. Howe, of Hampton, Va., reports in the New York *Medical Journal* a case in which there was no voiding of urine in 25 days and then death followed. The autopsy showed cystic and carcinomatous degeneration of the left kidney and hypertrophy of the right. Both ureters were obliterated by carcinomatous growths.

The bulletin of Chicago's Health Department states: "The dairy inspectors have inspected 659 dairies, 12,009 cows, representing the shipment of 2,486 eight-gallon cans of milk per day. Of these 659 dairies, 32 were in bad sanitary condition and 147 were feeding 'wet malt.' All of these were immediately notified that they could not ship milk to the city of Chicago, and the dealers to whom they shipped were also notified that they could not receive and sell this milk in the city. The milk from eleven other dairies was also excluded from the city because of bad sanitary conditions or diseased herds."

Benzoic Acid.—Concretions in joints when resulting from rheumatism or gout, with red urine having a strong odor. It is likewise recommended in syphilitic rheumatism, where this peculiar characteristic in the urine is present.—*M. E. Douglas, M.D., in Hahnemannian Monthly.*

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Dr. B. F. Bailey, in writing on the treatment of arthritis deformans, in progress, lays stress on the following points:

1. Improvement of nutrition. For this is used digestable, assimilable food and medicinal means to aid digestion. Eggs, prepared cereals, cream, olive oil, Russell's and similar emulsions are to be employed.

2. Relief of pain, salophen, 5 grains, with codein, ½ grain, bathing the affected parts in oil of wintergreen and olive oil. Wrapping joints in cotton, oiled silk, etc., are among the measures that may become necessary.

3. Overcoming of inflammation and deformity. Employment of mild, positive galvanism, passive exercises to break up adhesions and the administration of indicated remedies, among which arsiod and ferrum ars. are most prominent.

And we abhor pessimism. The world is dark enough without its detracting influence. Let us beware, and not be driven to medical agnosticism because we are pondering too constantly the dark side of life.

If you must remove parts of the omentum, do not ligate the whole mass, but do it piece-meal. Thus the formation of troublesome folds, and, above all, that of hemorrhage, will be avoided.

In cases of strangulated hernia, do not hesitate, but operate, if mild taxis, change of position or relaxation from an anesthetic does not bring a disappearance of the hernia. Procrastination in this line has caused many deaths.

CHRONIC WEAKNESS—MARASMUS.

Among the remedies not usually mentioned there may be named:

Abrotanum. Especially useful in children where the emaciation progresses from below upwards. Legs are atrophied more than other parts of the body. As the disease progresses

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the face becomes pale, appearance senile, blue rings about the eyes, abdomen distended. Bulima and changeable stools, diarrhea and constipation alternating occur frequently. Lienteria. Gastric digestion almost suspended. Child cross, peevish.

Alumina. Great weakness. Cannot be up or speak. Weakness of muscles, almost simulating paralysis. Hence there may be strabismus or inability to pass feces on account of weakness. Slow flow of urine. Slow, stumbling gait. Patient always feels cold, must be covered. He wants fresh air, which increases his chilliness. Skin is dry—lifeless. Hair has a tendency to fall out. Mind is weak, cannot collect his ideas so as to write. Uncontrollable impulses and ideas trouble him. Men are impotent, women suffer from menstrual weakness. There are catarrhal symptoms and catarrhal symptoms.

Thuja in Gonorrhea.

No remedy is so closely related to acute or chronic gonorrhea as thuja. The urethral discharge gives no keynote indications, but the concomitant phenomena of the urinary organs are characteristic. There is hardly a disturbance in micturition or urine which is not also found in thuja. The color varies from pale, clear to scanty, dark, cloudy sedimentation. Often there is a slimy deposit in the vessel. The odor may be sweet, onionlike, pungent. Often there is cutting and burning after micturition, simulating cantharis. Blood albumen, gravel may be present. Involuntary urination occurs frequently and the history of gonorrhea can usually be found.

Stigmata Maidis.

This is the corn silk. Its sphere of action is the genito-urinary tract. Though its provings have many marks of imperfection at the present time, it has rendered efficient service in cases of renal congestion, polyuria accompanied by much distress, chronic diseases of the kidneys and bladder and also in Bright's disease. Use tincture made from fresh plant.

Hypericum in Injuries to the Coccyx.

Often during labor the coccyx is injured and much pain results. Dr. Kent says that in the early stages hypericum is the remedy. Later on silicea or carbo an. may be required.

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EDITORIAL.

THE NEW YEAR.

With this number we begin Volume IV. of The Medical Forum. As the past years have been successful, so we confidently expect this new one to be, and we hope that it will not only measure up to those of the past, but will be increasingly so.

There are no material changes of form, size or policy to be announced at this time. The mechanical work has been of such a degree of excellence that it will be difficult to keep a pomise of improvement. When The Medical Forum started in its career, it was the intention of both publisher and editor to make it a journal that could be sent anywhere and receive a welcome because of its respectable appearance and contents. This resolution has been kept as best we could and did know how to do it. In this course we will continue.

The prospects are good. The Medical Forum has gained friends and hopes to keep them. They have furnished us an

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abundance of original articles of excellence, well suited to our readers' demands. We trust that this welcome activity will continue and increase. Let us have your co-operation in our effort to make The Medical Forum a true representative of the homeopathic profession in this great Missouri valley region of our country. One man cannot do it, neither can half a dozen. But the hundreds of members of our school in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas can. If they subscribe for the paper, its finances will be amply provided; if they think and write for it, its editorial coffers will be over-filled with good, practical, original articles; and if they both pay and write, the managing editor will gladly add many pages to its size to make room for this excellent reading matter.

As the new year has begun, we hope that it will bring much prosperity to all the friends of The Medical Forum, and may its enemies be not forgotten.

DEATHS OF PHYSICIANS DURING 1906.

Death has called many of our professional brethren in the United States and Canada from their field of labor to the reward in the great beyond. The editor of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* places the number at 2,150. That would make a death-rate of 17.2 per thousand. The youngest that died was 22 years old and the Nestor among them had attained to a ripe old age, for the number of his years were 103. The average age was 58 years and 4 months, and their time of practice in the profession is placed at from 3 days after graduation to 71 years. As to cause of death, the report is not very complete. In about 35 per cent of the cases this information is entirely missing. Of those reported, 150 were due to violence. Of these, 103 were due to accidents, distributed as follows: falls, 22; railway and street railway, 22; poison, 19; runaway, 11 drowning, 7; gunshot wounds, 4; ptomaine, crushing, earthquake (California) and asphyxiation, each, 3; automobile and burns, each, 2; throat cut and concussion of brain, each, 1. The suicides were 34 in number, by the following routes: gunshot wound, 16; poison, 9; cut throat, 4; starvation and drowning, each, 2; strangulation, 1. Homicide is assigned as the cause of 13 deaths; one physician

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was killed in battle in the Philippine Islands, and one while assisting an officer in the preservation of the peace.

As cause of death, heart diseases take the lead, but, as the reports often came through the daily papers, scientific classification has been impossible; so this term is made to include not only valvular lesions, but angina pectoris, myo- and endo carditis, dilatation of heart and those cases where sudden death was attributed to "heart failure." Then come the following diseases, arranged in order of frequency of occurrence: cerebal hemorrhage and paralysis, 182; nephritis, including all kinds of kidney diseases and even uremia, 135; pneumonia, 121; tuberculosis, 99; senile debility, 59; cancer, 48; typhoid fever, 38; septicemia, 29; appendicitis, 26; operations, the nature of which is not given, 20; gastritis and meningitis, each, 19; diabetes, 16.

These are all gone. Their loss has been mourned by relatives, friends, patients, and in many cases by the profession. Having concluded their life-history, it is being judged by those who remain on earth. Has it been necessary to "cover with the mantle of charity" the glaring defects of a life that could have been a monument of virtue and fidelity? or did those who knew him best say, "There lies a noble friend of mankind, who did conscientiously all he could to relieve the suffering of his fellow-beings, who was true to his family, friends and every trust imposed upon him"?

And the year that has now begun will call several thousands of us from this mundane sphere. Who will it be? This certainly should be a stimulus to such work that would leave no cause for regret either in old age or at the door of death.

MEDICAL LEGISLATION.

At present the law-mills are grinding in the various States and many just and useful laws will be passed before the roses bloom in our gardens. If is were not for the fact that our legislators have often been the tools of designing scoundrels or fanatical schemers, there would be no need of calling attention to the action of our legislatures. We could rest assured, and accept the finished product of legislative activity as our rule of actions for the future. But such is not always the case in our days of

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political machinations, and demagogical manipulations of even these branches of our government.

More or less medical legislation will be attempted in the next months. If we do not carefully watch the proceeding at the various State capitals, we may have plenty of regrets that come too late. The rights of the minority have always been in danger. Never has there been a time when this was not so. As homeopaths have been in this position, they have experience along this line. Only by a judicious and persistent fight for their rights have they been able to get some recognition. If they will not closely watch the proceedings, the time may not be far distant when some of the concessions they now enjoy will be taken away.

This is not the fear of an alarmist. The past has proven the unwillingness of those in power to give us what is due, in the manipulation of laws, but also in the nullification of those that contained provisions favoring us. A glaring example is found in the fact that the Legislature of Missouri years ago provided for a professor teaching homeopathic materia medica and therapeutics in the State University at Columbia, but up to the present time it has not been done. Why?

Let the legislative committees of our State society and the members of the profession keep an eye on the proceedings at the State capitol.

QUACK SPECIALISM.

There are but few real specialists, even in large cities, and those that there are make very little display of the fact. They hardly ever advertise themselves as "specialists," but do the work that falls to them in their chosen field. On the good results achieved they rely for continuous opportunity to work, and that hardly ever fails them.

The "eminent specialist" whose sign appears conspicuously, and often his picture also, is usually a shark. His greatest skill is used in "fleecing the innocent." A reporter of the Cleveland *News*, Chas. F. Stewart, recently undertook to find out what these grafters would do. Being, as far as his consciousness went, in perfect health, he took the precaution to have himself examined

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by reputable physicians and took from them certificates of perfect health. Then he applied to some of these "advertising specialists." They found him afflicted with "heart trouble, nervous prostration, kidney disease, bladder trouble, liver complaint, stomach trouble," etc. The "etc." stands for diseases imputed to him by these swindlers, whose names had better not be published in a journal of universal circulation. These were ascribed to him to insure secrecy on his part. All could cure him. All were willing to prescribe for him, and some did. After he was through with them, he made the following statement: "I have known some murderers, a few burglars, some pickpockets and a scattering assortment of other criminals, and until recently I held that the thief who robs the children's fresh-air-fund contribution-box holds the record for combined cowardice and meanness in the art of theft. Since then, however, I have visited that colony of graft called 'quackdom.' Now I feel like taking off my hat to the fresh-air-fund sneak and telling him that he has not only an equal, but a superior."

These charlatans flourish in our large and smaller cities. We have medical laws and medical boards and medical registration, and yet the quacks do as they please. It is to be hoped that our legislatures will pass efficient laws. It is a disgrace that such fraud can be practiced continuously and openly in a country like ours.

Six years ago the Association of the Military Surgeons of the United States began the publication of a medical journal, entitled *The Journal of the Association of Military Surgeons.* After a career full of success under its adopted name, it was found best to change the same to *The Military Surgeon.* The journal has for its object the dissemination of military medical literature, and thus becomes a medium for the dissemination of knowledge regarding a branch of the practice of our profession heretofore but imperfectly understood. As the pioneer military medical journal in the English language, it entered upon a field hitherto unoccupied and unexplored. Its success in creating a reliable body of military medical literature has been perhaps not unexpected, although it has certainly been remarkable.

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Sinuses near the shoulder should be carefully explored, for the tendons often cover up the canal and direct the pus to some point distant from the real source.

In the *Annals of Surgery*, Drs. Crandon and Wilson report on 530 cases of fracture at the base of the brain or skull treated at the Boston City Hospital in 42 years—1864 to 1906. As a result they advocate a conservative treatment as expressed by the following rules:

"Although fixation of basal fractures is not possible by any accurate application, because, in the first place, the line of fracture is not known, and, in the second place, may extend in several directions, it is nevertheless presumptive that a patient in bed would be less liable to jar or other kinds of force which might stir up the fracture or dislocate clots. Crandon and Wilson urge as routine treatment in all cases of even suspected fracture of the base of the skull, rest in bed for full three weeks. Such a patient ought to be in a separate or small, dimly-lighted room, where little can attract his attention. He should have a single low pillow, or none, as he prefers. He should have as few visitors as possible, should take nourishment still lying down, and have practically nothing to attract his attention or cause any excitement. Food should be easy to digest; cathartics should be used freely to prevent the least strain at stool, which causes cerebral congestion. Headache should be controlled by whatever sedative seems to work best in the given case, and used even to an extent to keep the patient more or less somnolent."

THE OPHTHALMOLOGICAL, OTOLOGICAL AND LARYNGOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

C. G. Fellows, chairman, read the report of the committee of the society on drug-proving:

"Your committee appointed to take action upon the final report and publication of our drug-proving by its director, Dr. Howard P. Bellows, submits the following:

"*Resolved*, That the work of drug-proving which Dr. Howard P. Bellows has for six years been directing is of paramount importance.

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"That his work has been of such an incessant and laborious character as to demand more than passing notice.

"That it is bound to last forever, and must profoundly affect the whole science of medicine.

"That the thanks and appreciation of this society are hereby extended to Dr. Howard P. Bellows for his self-sacrificing, original and painstaking care of the work done for and in the name of the Ophthalmological, Otological and Laryngological Society.

"That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes and sent to the homœopathic journals for publication.

"C. Gurnee Fellows.
"Herbert D. Schenck.
"R. S. Copeland."

On motion of W. R. King, the above resolution was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

The common idea that fractures heal badly in old people is chiefly due to the difficulty with which, in them, union is obtained in fractures of the neck of the femur. It is always worth while, even in the old, to seek to obtain perfect approximation of the fragments and physiological rest, which will give good results in many cases.

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Send any news items or personals to the Local Editor of the Medical Forum, Dr. Maclay Lyon, 409 Deardorff Bldg.

The new City Hospital of Kansas City is nearing completion.

Kansas City Hahnemann reopened after the holidays, January 8.

Dr. May Stout is associated with Dr. Eva Harding at Topeka, Kansas.

Dr. G. W. Smith and wife spent Christmas at Emporia, Kansas.

Dr. Lily T. Warner, Kansas City Hahnemann '05, is located at Dallas, Texas.

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Dr. Luther J. Ingersoll died last month at his home in Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dr. Nellie S. Tanner, Kansas City Hahnemann '05, is located at Fredonia, Kansas.

A college pin will soon be selected by the students and faculty of Kansas City Hahnemann.

How are collections, doctor? Any better this month than just before Christmas? Let us hope.

James Taylor, a lad of seven years, living at South Bend, Indiana, died December 28, as a result of vaccination.

Statistics show that cancer is alarmingly on the increase. During the past year it has increased from 2,203 to 2,873 per 100,000.

The *American Journal of Dermatology and Genito-Urinary Diseases* has been enlarged and improved. It is the foremost medical journal in its particular line.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company has decided not to insure Negroes hereafter, as it is said that the death-rate among them is rapidly on the increase.

Dr. J. L. Alexander's father, C. H. Alexander, of Des Moines, Iowa, spent the holidays in Kansas City and incidentally took his first look at the new Alexanderette.

Dr. Mark M. Thompson, professor of orificial surgery in Hering Medical College, was killed in a grade-crossing accident in Chicago, December 27. He was prominent in his profession.

Twenty-five Negro doctors in Kansas City have petitioned the mayor to give them clinical advantages at the new City Hospital. They want to have charge of a Negro ward. Consent!

Dr. David A. Strickler, of Denver, editor of *Progress*, and Dr. Mary N. Brandner, a prominent dentist of Denver, were married Christmas. The Medical Forum extends congratulations.

Dr. C. E. Allen, of Kansas City, was called to Tulsa, I. T., January 3, by the illness of his mother. Fortunately, the home folks were more scared than hurt, and she is making a good recovery.

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Dr. J. R. Burdick, of Boulder, Colorado, has been spending a few days in Kansas City, en route to St. Louis and Chicago. The Doctor is taking a little rest and recreation from the strenuous life.

The Missouri Institute of Homeopathy will meet in Kansas City April 23, 24 and 25, probably at the Midland Hotel. Dr. Geo. A. Mellies, of St. Louis, is president, and Dr. Paul Fletcher, of St. Louis, secretary.

An Italian laborer in New York recently ate part of a porous plaster, thinking that that was the only way to receive benefit from it. It had an effect all right. The doctors are trying to save his life now.

Dr. Chas. F. Puckett, Kansas City Hahnemann '05, is now located at Hepler, Crawford County, Kansas. It is a small place with a good surrounding country. The doctor was in Kansas City recently on business. He looks fat and sassy.

Dr. J. M. Patterson, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, is now located in his new offices, rooms 408, 409 and 410 Keith & Perry building, southwest corner of Ninth and Walnut streets. Both long-distance telephones, Main 1478. Hours, 10 to 1, 3 to 5.

Dr. C. Hiram Carson, who claims to be a vital healer, has been arrested by the Missouri State board of health on the charge of practicing without a license. The "Good Old Doctor" will put up a vicious fight, as he has already employed four firms of lawyers to defend him.

The city council of Kansas City has passed an ordinance allowing Dr. W. P. Cutler two assistants in the city food inspection. There 'll be something doing now in the pure food line. One of the assistants is to be a veterinary surgeon, and one a baker and cook.

Dr. G. W. Smith, professor of nervous and mental diseases in Kansas City Hahnemann, has made a slight change in his office arrangements in the Deardorff Building. His reception-room hereafter will be No. 407. The private office is No. 408. Same telephone numbers: Home 'phone, Main 1704, and Bell 'phone, Grand 458X.

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The Kansas State board of health is preparing for a warfare on merchants who persist in selling food which is in violation of the national pure food law. Kansas will have a new pure food law this winter. A lobby will work for it at the coming session of the Legislature.

An amendment to the law covering criminal abortion will be offered at the present session of the Missouri Legislature. At present the law is very lax. It is proposed to make it iron-clad. If that is the case, a bunch of "bad ones" in Kansas City will have the rollers put under them. These baby farms will become fewer, and the advertising "women's doctors" will be less bold.

Recently a Kansas City, Kansas, assistant police surgeon was called upon to examine a school-boy who was found lying in the street, apparently suffering pain. The "wise man" looked the boy over, asked him a few questions and turned him out, telling him to go back to school, as there was nothing the matter with him. Two hours afterward the boy was seized with convulsions, and physicians who were called pronounced the case one of tetanus. He had cut his foot slightly a week before. The assistant police surgeon got a good "bawling out" in the newspapers, which fact will probably result in his being more careful hereafter.

The Kansas City board of police commissioners has made a wise ruling in abolishing the police surgeon nuisance. Heretofore anyone injured on the street was liable to be hauled down to the City Hall in an ambulance and treated by a more or less inexperienced and brutal assistant police surgeon in a room of filth and inadequate surgical arrangements. Now the work is under the direction of Dr. St. Elmo Sanders, the city physician. It is safe to say that he will run it properly. An emergency hospital will be established at the City Hall, where one or more competent surgeons will be on duty constantly, also a trained nurse. Probably another emergency hospital will be established near Fourteenth and Walnut streets. Twenty-three for the old police surgeons. It's back to the farm for them.

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Dr. E. M. Perdue, professor of bacteriology and microscopy in Kansas City Hahnemann, who was employed as chemical engineer by the city of Topeka, Kas., to test and supervise the laying of the new asphaltum pavement on the whole of Kansas Avenue, has issued a report of his work, which shows the care and skill employed in the tests. He will also make tests and supervise the laying of the asphaltum on the new intercity viaduct being constructed between Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas City, Kas.

The January meeting of the Kansas City Homeopathic Medical Society was particularly interesting. Dr. J. M. Patterson was chairman.

The papers of the evening were generously discussed. Dr. W. J. Gates read a paper on "Intestinal Obstruction." He recommended early surgical interference in stubborn cases. Dr. John V. Lynn read a paper on "The Hypodermic Injection of Furuncles and Carbuncles." There was considerable difference of opinion regarding the efficacy of this treatment.

Dr. H. E. Young was appointed to preside at the February meeting of the society.

For the forthcoming session of the Missouri Institute of Homeopathy a committee has been appointed to make the arrangements, consisting of Dr. W. A. Forster, chairman, Dr. L. P. Crutcher and Dr. Maclay Lyon. The meetings will be held at the Midland Hotel, April 21, 22, 23. Following is the list of bureau chairmen:

Clinical Medicine.....Dr. L. E. Bunte, St. Louis.
Ophthalmology, Otology and Laryngology.....
.....Dr. G. N. Seidlitz, St. Louis.
Surgery.....Dr. Scott Parsons, St. Louis.
Pedology.....Dr. C. J. Luyties, St. Louis.
Obstetrics.....Dr. J. H. McCaughan, St. Louis.
Sanitary Science.....Dr. S. A. Benson, St. Louis.
Neurology.....Dr. L. E. Whitney, Carthage.
Gynecology.....Dr. W. A. Forster, Kansas City.
Materia Medica.....Dr. L. P. Crutcher, Kansas City.
Diagnosis.....Dr. Maclay Lyon, Kansas City.

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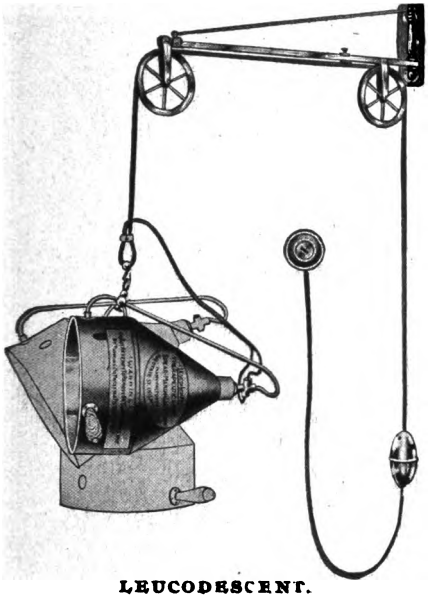

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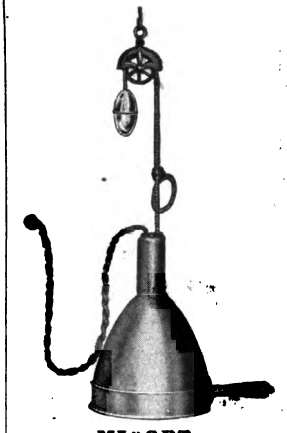

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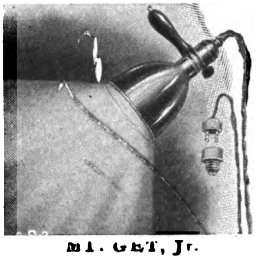

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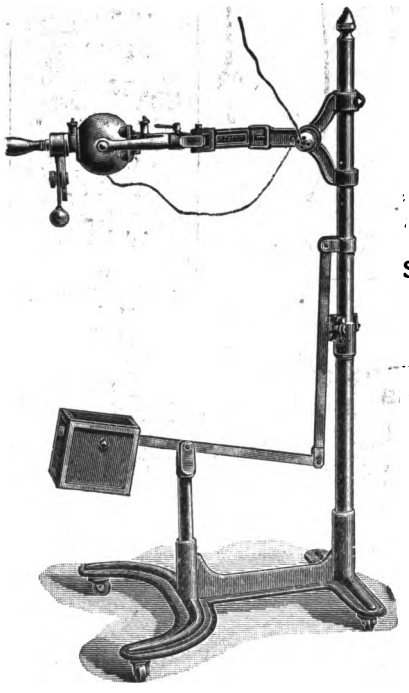

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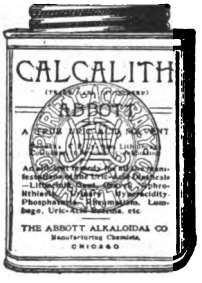

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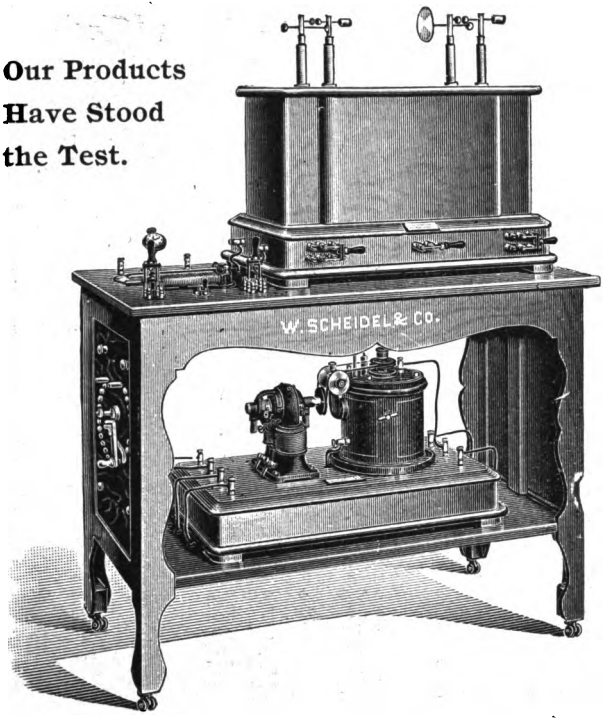

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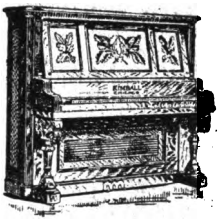

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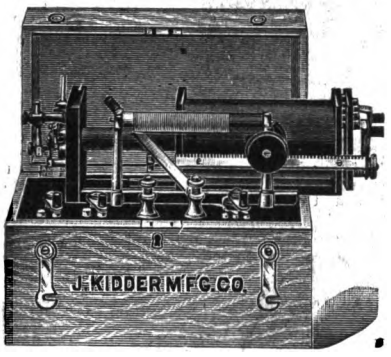

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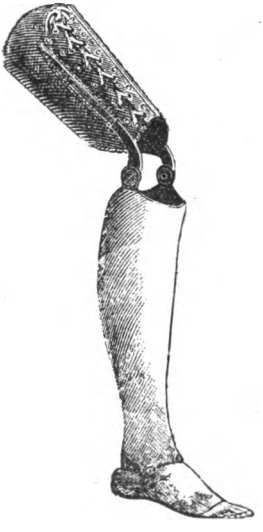

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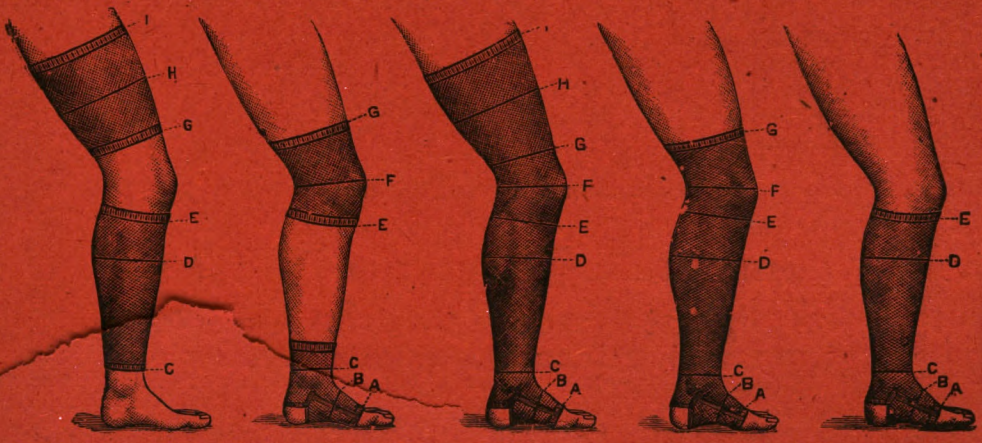

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